

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP NEW APPLICATION</b>
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned patent application, it is requested that this application be amended as set forth herein.

The applicants request the entry of certain amendments to the application.